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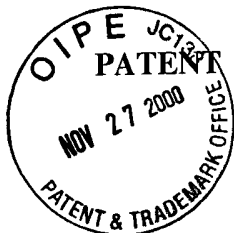
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In re patent application of: Mark Malmros, et al.

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For: METHODS FOR THE SPECTROSCOPIC ANALYSIS OF IN SITU BIOLOGICAL STAIN COMPOSITIONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of September 21, 2000, to and through November 21, 2000. A Response to Restriction Requirement is being filed simultaneously herewith in response to the official action. This is an extension of the shortened statutory term from one month to two months, comprising

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an extension of the shortened statutory period of one (1) month:

	Small Entity	Other Than Small Entity
One Month	<u>X</u> \$ 55	___ \$ 110
Two Months	___ \$190	___ \$ 380
Three Months	___ \$435	___ \$ 870
Four Months	___ \$680	___ \$1,360

Less extension fee previously paid:

Extension fee now due: \$55.00

( ) A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_, is enclosed. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1679.

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Respectfully submitted,



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